Dear EOS Aura Colleagues,

This is the first announcement for the EOS Aura Science and Validation Team meeting to be held Monday, 11 September through Friday, 15 September 2006 at Center Green in Boulder, Colorado. The purpose of this meeting is to continue validation of Aura data, to present scientific results using Aura data, and to discuss research and program goals for the coming year. Persons interested in using Aura observations or showing relevant science results for the Aura mission are welcome to attend. Information about EOS Aura can be found at http://aura.gsfc.nasa.gov.

The agenda for this meeting is not final, but we expect that Mon. – Thurs. afternoons will be used for meetings of working groups (validation, education and public outreach, aerosols, meteorological fields, mission operations, data systems). Plenary sessions in the mornings will include a status update of Aura and the instruments, working group reports (as appropriate) and contributed science talks and posters. A report from the Validation Working Group, final science presentations, a meeting summary and discussion of any outstanding issues will take place on Friday morning.

Abstracts for presentations in the plenary session or for any of the working group meetings are due 1 August 2006. Abstract submission for the plenary science session or for the validation working group meeting will be through the Aura web site. Submissions for the other working groups will be through the working group chairpersons. Science talks will be AGU style (12 minutes for the presentation, 3 minutes for questions).

Subgroup chairpersons will designate the length of working group presentations. The final

agenda will be circulated by 1 September. Logistical information and details for abstract submission will follow in a second announcement.

If you are planning to attend this meeting, please contact Rose Kendall (RMBKendall@aol.com) and provide your full name, affiliation, business address, phone, fax, e-mail, and URL information. Please forward this announcement to interested persons. If you receive this announcement directly from Kathy Thompson, then you already are on the mailing list for this and future EOS Aura meetings. If you would like to be on the meeting mailing list (or if you would like to remove your name), please send an e-mail to kathyathompson@qwest.net.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Regards,

Anne Douglass